

**“FRESH START: NEW DIRECTIONS”
WELCOMES THE NEW YEAR WITH NEW WORK FROM 25 STUDIO JEWELRY ARTISTS**

New York, N. Y. -- “Fresh Start” celebrates fresh ideas in our country with new work from the studios of our goldsmiths. Over 100 jewels are included in the exhibition, which is highlighted by an evening of artists’ talks on Thursday, January 15 in the gallery.

Last year, Aaron Faber invited mid-career and emerging jewelers to **“move ahead with your own new directions by creating 1-3 new designs for a group exhibition – the ones you’ve been thinking of making but haven’t had the time to R&D or execute; or in the material or with the tool you’ve been wanting to experiment with; or whatever has been calling to you or nagging you from your notebook or the bench.”**

The goldsmiths have responded with an intriguing and diverse collection of new work from Biba Schutz’s innovative sterling work incorporating paper, to Marjorie Simon’s new technology color field pins which incorporate manipulated digital photos in sterling settings.

Thursday, January 15th, three of the artists will speak about their collections. So Young Park, an emerging metalsmith; Tod Pardon, whose work is in numerous museum collections, including the Renwick and the Museum of Art & Design; and Biba Schutz, a New York-based studio jeweler.

Artists whose work is in the show are:

- Satoru Bauman [United States]
- Marco Borghesi [Italy]
- Susan Chin [United States]
- Jim Cotter [United States]
- Erica Druin [United States]
- Barbara Heath [Australia]
- Melissa Huff [United States]
- Jan Mandel [United States]
- Harold O’Connor [United States]
- Gina Pankowski [United States]
- So Young Park [United States]
- Marjorie Simon [United States]
- Liaung-Chung Yen [United States]
- Lisa Black [Australia]
- Wilhelm Buchert [Germany]
- Petra Class [United States]
- Valerie Jo Coulson [United States]
- Lee Rumsey-Haga [United States]
- Lucie Heskett-Brem [Switzerland]
- Janis Kerman [Canada]
- Catherine Mannheim [United Kingdom]
- Louise O’Neill [United Kingdom]
- Tod Pardon [United States]
- Biba Schutz [United States]
- Elena Votsi [Greece]

The exhibition continues through Saturday, February 21. For further information or images please contact Macouta Sissoko or Megan Isaacs, 212-586-8411 or info@aaronfaber.com or misaacs@aaronfaber.com.